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OPINION LETTER NO. 64-2010

The Honorable Robin Carnahan Missouri Secretary of State James C. Kirkpatrick State Information Center 600 West Main Street Jefferson City, MO 65101

Dear Secretary Carnahan:

This opinion letter responds to your request dated April 8, 2010, for our review under § 116.334, RSMo, of a proposed summary statement prepared for the petition submitted by Steven Reed (version 2) regarding a proposed amendment to Article IV, Section 30 of the Missouri Constitution. The proposed summary statement is as follows:

Shall the Missouri Constitution be amended to provide for a one tenth of one percent sales tax on motor vehicle fuel, the proceeds of which shall be used to develop rail passenger service in Missouri?

Pursuant to § 116.334, RSMo, we approve the legal content and form of the proposed statement. Because our review of the statement is mandated by statute, no action that we take with respect to such review should be construed as an endorsement of the petition, nor as the expression of any view regarding the objectives of its proponents.

Very truly yours,

CHRIS KOSTER

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